

**TOWN OF SOUTH BETHANY
TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 9, 2021
10:00 A.M.**

Meeting Called to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Saxton called the July 9, 2021, Town Council Regular Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Attendance

In attendance were Mayor Tim Saxton and Councilmembers, Sue Callaway, Randall Bartholomew, Dick Oliver, Derek Abbott, Edie Dondero, and Tim Shaw; Town Manager, Maureen Hartman; and Administrative Specialist, Janet Powell. Remote attendees: 11

Public Comment

No public comment.

Adoption of Minutes

Motion by Councilwoman Callaway, seconded by Councilman Abbott, to adopt the June 4, 2021 Council Organizational minutes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Councilman Oliver, seconded by Councilman Abbott, to adopt the June 11, 2021 Council Regular meeting minutes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Councilman Oliver, seconded by Councilman Abbott to adopt the June 11, 2021 Executive Session meeting minutes. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Councilman Oliver, seconded by Councilman Abbott, to adopt the June 17, 2021 Council workshop meeting minutes. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion and possible action to appoint Dave Wilson, Brian Moroz, Gary Lessing, Bob Fisher, Karin Gander, and Glenn Dallas to the Canal Water Quality Committee

Mayor Saxton appointed Dave Wilson, Brian Moroz, Gary Lessing, Bob Fisher, Karin Gander, and Glenn Dallas to the Water Quality Committee. Motion by Councilman Abbott, seconded by Councilman Oliver, motion carried 7-0.

Review and discussion to consider modifying the Floor to area ration (FAR) AND Livable area ration (LAR) and simplification of building criteria

Councilman Abbott requested that Mayor Saxton table the discussion.

Leadership Reports – Reports Posted Online

Mayor's report submitted. Mayor Saxton attended the ACT meeting on July 1, 2021. A presentation was given by Orsted on the proposed Skip Jack wind farm and electricity to be placed in Delaware. Councilwoman Callaway asked if it was worth continuing the ACT membership. She questioned if ACT is addressing any of the Town's agenda items like traffic, biking, canal dredging and cleaning; like the Assawoman canal. Mayor Saxton felt it was advantageous to continue attending ACT to support our neighboring towns, and to have a voice heard at the ACT meetings.

Town Manager report submitted. Councilman Bartholomew reminded everyone to submit to Town Manager the three ARPA ideas that are due mid-July. Councilman Bartholomew stated on July 4, he witnessed a SBBP rescue on the beach and commented on the job well done. Town Manager Hartman stated she will let Captain Dacey know.

The Treasurer report had no addition his report.

Committee and Commission Reports – Reports Posted Online

The Budget and Finance Committee – report submitted.

Canal Water Quality Committee – no report submitted.

Charter and Code Committee – report submitted. Councilman Shaw stated the Revisions to Chapter 42, Building Construction 42-12A and 42-16 have been submitted to the Town Solicitor for review. Mayor Saxton stated once the Town Solicitor approves; there will be review and discussion at the July 29th workshop, and possibly a First Reading at the Town Council August 13th meeting.

Communications and Public Relations Committee – report submitted. Councilwoman Dondero commended the town staff for their assistance on their first event, Movie Night on July 21, 2021.

Community Enhancement Committees – report submitted. Councilwoman Callaway thanked the volunteers for installing the American flags and the Public Works department for installing the fix-it stations.

Planning Commission – no report submitted.

FEMA Ad Hoc Committee – no report submitted.

Adjournment

Motion by Councilman Oliver, seconded by Councilman Abbott, to adjourn the June 11, 2021, Town Council Regular Meeting at 10:33 a.m. Motion carried 7-0.